

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY PARIS

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INFO AMEMBASSY ROME PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG, SA, US, FR

SUBJECT: FRANCO-SAUDI OIL DEAL

REF: JIDDA 6420

A WELL-PLACED QUAI SOURCE (BELLEISSUE - THEN ACTING  
DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR THE LEVANT) TOLD US RECENTLY THAT  
THE LARGE FRANCO-SAUDI OIL DEAL UNDER NEGOTIATION FOR  
MANY MONTHS WAS PRACTICALLY SEWED UP AND THAT AN  
ANNOUNCEMENT COULD BE EXPECTED SHORTLY. HE GAVE NO  
DETAILS, BUT SAID THAT THE POSTPONEMENT OF PRINCE FAHD'S  
PLANNED EARLY NOVEMBER VISIT TO FRANCE WAS NOT RELATED  
TO THE DEAL. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT FOREIGN MINISTER  
SAQQAF STOPPED IN PARIS LAST WEEKEND AFTER THE RABAT  
SUMMIT.  
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